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Purpose. This notice transmits updates for Engineering Conservation Practices standards in Section IV of the FOTG – Field Office Technical Guide.

Effective Date. This notice is effective immediately.

Explanation of Changes. The following changes are now part of the NRCS (Natural Resources Conservation Service) Practice Standard 313, Waste Storage Facility, dated January 2016:

- Under **CRITEIRA, Safety**, the following sentence was added in paragraph six: *The minimum fence height shall be 4.5'.*
- Under **CONSIDERATIONS**, a new paragraph was added at the beginning of this section: *Safety concerns associated with skid loaders and other manure loading equipment should be considered during project planning and design. Consider land owner/operator goals and objectives. Manure should never be lifted over fence/chain link fences into manure storages, but loaded only at specifically designed locations. Signs, concrete wall extensions, push-ins with guards, lift-over access areas with guards should be considered by the designer as appropriate.*

Access Instructions. This new standard along with all of the other standards can be accessed at the following website: <http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/>

You may also access Section IV Table of Contents directly at the following web address: <http://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/toc.aspx?CatID=12487>

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